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From: COTHERN, SHAYNE (DNR)
Sent: Thur 10/3/2013 3:16:28 PM
Subject: RE: Warning Signs at Bremerton Gasworks Superfund Site
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I received confirmation that sign language is okay and approved for placement. I sent our logo in an earlier email to include with sign but we do not feel need to include contact number since health related questions would best be handled by EPA or the Health District. Let me know if any other questions.
Please let me know if removal and cover actions proceed as planned or if government shutdown caused delays.
Thank you,
Shayne

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From: COTHERN, SHAYNE (DNR)
Sent: Tuesday, October 01, 2013 9:09 AM
To: 'Ryan, William (Region 10)'
Subject: RE: Warning Signs at Bremerton Gasworks Superfund Site

Thanks Ryan. I am not sure if you are in office with the government shutdown but hope it is short and of minimal impact to you.

I have presented sign to management for approval as well as posed questions on logo and contact info. Should be back to you within a day or two with answers. I am sure we want logo so I will forward email from communications that includes logos as attachment.

I have pasted below reference to authorities regarding closure. This information will be helpful to understand process in the event you should decide to initiate a formal closure in the future.

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We do have the authority to limit access/recreation under the following WAC:

WAC 332-52-100: Managing recreation and public use.

- (1) Can DNR limit recreational activities and public use on department-managed land?
 - (a) The department may limit any recreation activity or public use on department-managed lands to:
 - (i) Protect public safety, natural resources, or other property.
 - (ii) Execute its management and administrative obligations if any recreation activities or public use unreasonably interferes with the department's ability to carry out those obligations.
 - (b) All persons shall comply with any department-posted restrictions that limit recreational activities.
- (2) Any violation of this section is an infraction under chapter 7.84 RCW.

We can post signs to inform the public of prohibited activities under these rules:

WAC 332-52-600: Notice of rules.

Where can I find the public access and recreation rules? The department will make public access and recreation rules available to the public through such means as:

- (1) Posted on-site on kiosks or signboards;
- (2) Published on the department's internet site;
- (3) Published in a site-specific or programmatic management plan;
- (4) In the office of the commissioner of public lands in Olympia; or
- (5) In any of the department's region offices.

Notices of permitted or prohibited activities will be posted in such locations as will reasonably bring them to the attention of the public.

From: Ryan, William (Region 10) [<mailto:Ryan.William@epa.gov>]
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2013 4:37 PM
To: COTHERN, SHAYNE (DNR)
Cc: Holdcroft, Grant
Subject: Warning Signs at Bremerton Gasworks Superfund Site

Hi Shayne-

This is to follow-up our conversation of earlier this afternoon and to clarify our request of the DNR. Sorry for any confusion that may have been caused by my earlier message.

Thank you for clarifying the process/requirements that would need to be complied with to formally close the beach at the site. As we discussed, we are not requesting a closure of the beach at this time, but rather want to install a more robust set of signs on the beach to replace those that are already there so that folks are amply warned about potential exposure hazards. Should we choose to request a formal closure at some point in the future, we will coordinate with DNR on this effort to ensure that it would be done in a manner consistent with all requirements.

We've made some changes relative the signs currently on the beach, which are reflected in the attached PowerPoint file. I have also included a copy of the signs currently on the beach for your reference (see attached Word document).

We are requesting the following from the DNR:

- 1) Approval of the content of the proposed sign (PowerPoint document). You will see that I replaced "Beach Closed" with "Do Not Enter" in an effort to avoid any confusion that the beach is formally closed. If you think "Do Not Enter" is strong enough so as to infer closure, we are open to any alternative language (such as "Enter at Your Own Risk") that DNR might suggest.
- 2) Since the beach is State land managed by DNR, we would like to know if DNR would like their agency logo on the sign and/or agency contact information included on the sign.
- 3) Approval of DNR to install 2 or 3 signs on the beach. We may also install one on the uplands portion of the site, immediately above the beach, but that would not be on State land.

Grant-

The currently-proposed version of the sign is similar to what I proposed last week. Let me know if it looks OK to you.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks.

Bill Ryan

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